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INDICATOR 31

Educational Attainment

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Educational Attainment

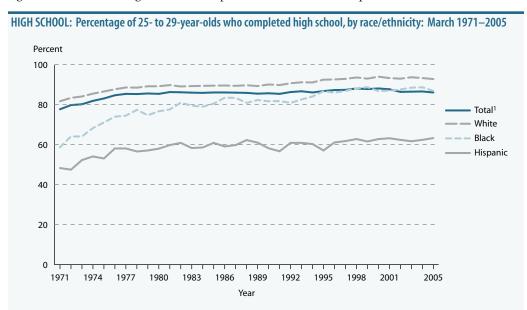
The percentages of 25- to 29-year-olds who have completed high school, some college, or a bachelor's degree or higher have increased since 1971, but racial/ethnic differences in levels of educational attainment remain.

In 2005, some 86 percent of all 25- to 29-yearolds had received a high school diploma or equivalency certificate, and 57 percent of these young adults had received additional education (see supplemental table 31-1). Although this percentage represents an increase of 8 percentage points since 1971, the high school completion rate has been at least 85 percent since 1976. In 1971, a lower percentage of Blacks than Whites completed high school (59 vs. 82 percent). Although the gap between Blacks and Whites has narrowed, the high school completion rate for Blacks was still below that of Whites in 2005 (87 vs. 93 percent). The high school completion rate for Hispanics also increased between 1971 and 2005 (from 48 to 63 percent). Unlike the gap between Blacks and Whites, no measurable changes in the gap between Hispanics and Whites occurred between 1971 and 2005.

The percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who had completed at least some college education increased from 34 to 57 percent between 1971 and 2005 (see supplemental table 31-2). However, increases in the rate of completing at least some college were not even throughout the entire period:

the rate increased during the 1970s, leveled off during the 1980s, increased in the early and mid-1990s, and has leveled off since then. The overall upward trend reflects an overall increase in the propensity of high school graduates to enroll in college immediately after completing high school (see *indicator* 29). For each racial/ethnic group, the percentage completing at least some college increased between 1971 and 2005, but the rate of increase was less for Hispanics than for Whites or Blacks. In 2005, 64 percent of White 25- to 29-year-olds had completed at least some college, compared with 49 percent of their Black peers and 33 percent of their Hispanic peers.

In most years, the rate for completing a bachelor's degree or higher was roughly half the rate for completing some college. The percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who had completed a bachelor's degree or higher increased from 17 to 29 percent between 1971 and 2005 (see supplemental table 31-3). Although the percentage with a bachelor's degree or higher increased for all three racial/ethnic groups, the gaps between Whites and Blacks and between Whites and Hispanics widened over time.



¹ Included in the totals but not shown separately are those from other racial/ethnic categories.

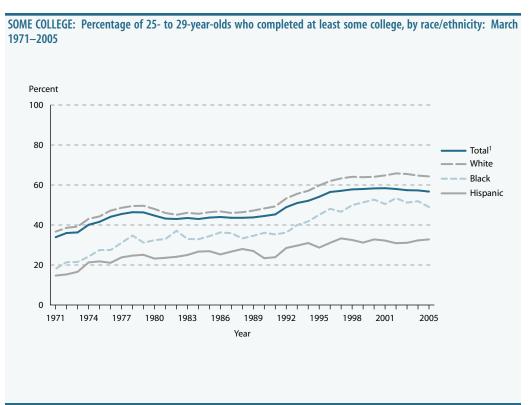
NOTE: Prior to 1992, "high school completers" meant those who completed 12 years of schooling and "some college" meant completing 1 or more years of college; beginning in 1992, the terms meant those who received a high school diploma or equivalency certificate and those who completed any college at all, respectively. In 1994, the survey instrument for the Current Population Survey (CPS) was changed and weights were adjusted. See *supplemental note 2* for further discussion. Some estimates are revised from previous publications. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin unless specified.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, Current Population Survey (CPS), Annual Social and Economic Study Supplement, 1971–2005, previously unpublished tabulation (November 2005).

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BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER: Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed a bachelor's degree or higher, by race/ethnicity: March 1971-2005

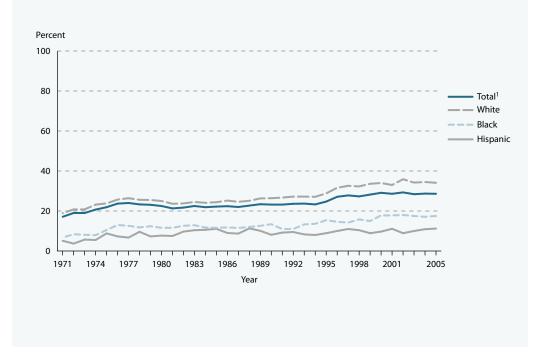


Table 31-1. Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed high school, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2005

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1996 87.3 86.5 88.1 92.6 92.0 93.1 86.0 87.9 84.5 61.1 59.7	1994	86.1	84.5	87.6	91.1	90.0	92.3	84.1	82.7	85.3	60.3	58.0	63.0	
	1995	86.8	86.3	87.4	92.5	92.0	93.0	86.7	88.4	85.3	57.1	55.7	58.7	
1997 87.4 85.8 88.9 92.9 91.7 94.0 86.9 85.8 87.8 61.8 59.2	1996	87.3	86.5	88.1	92.6	92.0	93.1	86.0	87.9	84.5	61.1	59.7	62.9	
	1997	87.4	85.8	88.9	92.9	91.7	94.0	86.9	85.8	87.8	61.8	59.2	64.9	
1998 88.1 86.6 89.6 93.6 92.5 94.6 88.2 88.4 88.1 62.8 59.9	1998	88.1	86.6	89.6	93.6	92.5	94.6	88.2	88.4	88.1	62.8	59.9	66.3	
1999 87.8 86.1 89.5 93.0 91.9 94.1 88.7 88.2 89.2 61.6 57.4	1999	87.8	86.1	89.5	93.0	91.9	94.1	88.7	88.2	89.2	61.6	57.4	66.0	
2000 88.1 86.7 89.4 94.0 92.9 95.2 86.8 87.6 86.2 62.8 59.2	2000	88.1	86.7	89.4	94.0	92.9	95.2	86.8	87.6	86.2	62.8	59.2	66.4	
2001 87.7 86.9 88.6 93.3 93.0 93.6 87.0 87.5 86.7 63.2 59.4	2001	87.7	86.9	88.6	93.3	93.0	93.6	87.0	87.5	86.7	63.2	59.4	67.2	
2002 86.4 84.7 88.1 93.0 92.1 93.8 87.6 85.8 88.9 62.4 60.2	2002	86.4	84.7	88.1	93.0	92.1	93.8	87.6	85.8	88.9	62.4	60.2	65.0	
2003 86.5 84.9 88.2 93.7 92.8 94.5 88.5 87.4 89.4 61.7 59.6	2003	86.5	84.9	88.2	93.7	92.8	94.5	88.5	87.4	89.4	61.7	59.6	64.2	
2004 86.6 85.2 88.0 93.3 92.1 94.5 88.7 91.2 86.6 62.4 60.1	2004	86.6	85.2	88.0	93.3	92.1	94.5	88.7	91.2	86.6	62.4	60.1	65.2	
2005 86.1 84.9 87.3 92.8 91.8 93.8 86.9 86.6 87.3 63.3 63.2	2005	86.1	84.9	87.3	92.8	91.8	93.8	86.9	86.6	87.3	63.3	63.2	63.3	

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Included in the totals but not shown separately are those from other racial/ethnic categories.

NOTE: Prior to 1992, "high school completers" meant those who completed 12 years of schooling; beginning in 1992, the term meant those who received a high school diploma or equivalency certificate. In 1994, the survey instrument for the Current Population Survey (CPS) was changed and weights were adjusted. See *supplemental note 2* for further discussion of the CPS. Some estimates are revised from previous publications. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin unless specified.

Table 31-2. Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed at least some college, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2005

		Total ¹			White			Black			Hispanic	
Year	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	33.9	38.5	29.4	36.7	41.7	31.8	18.1	16.5	19.5	14.7	19.7	10.5!
1972	36.0	40.9	31.3	38.6	44.0	33.3	21.4	19.6	22.8	15.3	17.4	13.5
1973	36.3	41.4	31.4	39.2	44.6	33.7	21.5	21.2	21.8	16.6	21.4	12.4
1974	40.1	44.7	35.6	43.1	47.8	38.4	24.2	26.4	22.4	21.3	24.7	18.2
1975	41.6	47.4	36.0	44.3	50.4	38.3	27.5	29.7	25.8	21.8	26.3	17.6
1976	44.1	50.1	38.4	47.2	53.5	41.0	27.5	29.5	25.9	21.1	24.4	18.3
1977	45.5	50.3	40.8	48.6	53.4	43.7	31.1	34.3	28.5	23.8	26.5	21.5
1978	46.4	51.0	41.9	49.5	54.6	44.4	34.7	35.7	33.9	24.7	27.6	22.0
1979	46.3	49.8	42.9	49.6	53.3	45.9	31.2	30.2	32.0	25.1	28.2	22.3
1980	44.7	47.6	41.9	48.0	51.1	44.9	32.4	32.6	32.3	23.2	25.9	20.5
1981	43.2	45.6	40.9	46.0	48.5	43.5	33.0	33.9	32.3	23.6	24.6	22.7
1982	43.0	44.5	41.6	45.1	46.6	43.7	37.1	38.1	36.3	24.1	24.6	23.7
1983	43.5	44.8	42.2	46.1	47.7	44.4	33.0	33.2	32.9	25.0	23.8	26.3
1984	43.0	43.6	42.5	45.6	46.2	45.0	32.9	31.5	34.1	26.7	27.0	26.4
1985	43.7	44.2	43.3	46.4	46.8	46.0	34.4	34.2	34.5	26.9	26.9	27.0
1986	44.0	44.1	43.8	46.8	46.9	46.8	36.3	35.9	36.6	25.3	24.9	25.8
1987	43.6	43.1	44.0	46.0	45.7	46.2	35.9	32.4	38.8	26.7	27.1	26.2
1988	43.6	43.7	43.6	46.4	46.4	46.5	33.3	34.7	32.1	28.0	26.5	29.6
1989	43.8	43.9	43.7	47.2	47.1	47.2	34.6	34.0	35.1	27.0	27.3	26.7
1990	44.5	43.7	45.3	48.3	47.3	49.3	36.1	35.0	36.9	23.4	22.9	23.9
1991	45.3	44.4	46.2	49.3	48.8	49.9	35.3	32.0	38.2	23.9	23.1	24.8
1992	48.9	48.2	49.6	53.3	52.6	53.9	36.2	34.9	37.2	28.5	27.2	30.1
1993	51.0	49.5	52.5	55.6	54.7	56.6	40.0	37.0	42.5	29.7	26.9	33.1
1994	52.1	49.8	54.3	57.1	54.9	59.3	41.8	40.3	43.0	31.0	28.0	34.6
1995	54.1	52.3	55.8	59.8	57.5	62.1	45.1	45.3	44.8	28.7	26.7	30.9
1996	56.5	54.5	58.5	62.0	60.3	63.7	48.1	47.9	48.3	31.1	28.1	35.0
1997	57.1	54.9	59.4	63.3	61.3	65.3	46.6	43.0	49.6	33.3	30.7	36.4
1998	57.8	54.6	61.0	64.1	61.3	66.9	49.9	46.8	52.6	32.5	29.3	36.3
1999	58.0	54.7	61.3	63.9	60.7	67.0	51.3	45.9	55.5	31.2	27.4	35.0
2000	58.3	55.1	61.5	64.1	60.5	67.7	52.7	50.4	54.6	32.8	29.0	36.6
2001	58.4	54.4	62.5	64.8	60.5	69.1	50.5	46.7	53.6	32.2	28.2	36.4
2002	58.0	54.5	61.6	65.8	62.0	69.5	53.4	51.8	54.6	30.9	28.3	34.1
2003	57.4	53.8	61.1	65.5	61.9	69.2	51.2	49.6	52.5	31.1	27.9	34.9
2004	57.3	53.4	61.3	64.7	60.8	68.6	51.9	49.3	54.0	32.3	27.9	37.7
2005	56.7	52.1	61.4	64.3	59.7	68.9	49.0	41.9	55.1	32.8	31.8	34.0

 $^{! \} Interpret \ data \ with \ caution \ (estimates \ are \ unstable).$

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Included in the totals but not shown separately are those from other racial/ethnic categories.

NOTE: "Some college" also includes those with a bachelor's degree or higher. Prior to 1992, "some college" meant those who completed 1 or more years of college; beginning in 1992, the term meant those who completed any college at all. In 1994, the survey instrument for the Current Population Survey (CPS) was changed and weights were adjusted. See *supplemental note 2* for further discussion of the CPS. Some estimates are revised from previous publications. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin unless specified.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, Current Population Survey (CPS), Annual Social and Economic Study Supplement, 1971–2005, previously unpublished tabulation (November 2005).

Table 31-3. Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed a bachelor's degree or higher, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2005

		Total ¹			White			Black			Hispanic	
Year	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	17.1	20.4	13.8	18.9	22.4	15.4	6.7	6.9	6.6	5.1!	8.0	2.6
1972	19.0	22.0	16.0	20.8	24.1	17.5	8.4	7.2	9.4	3.7!	4.5!	3.1
1973	19.0	21.6	16.4	20.8	23.8	17.9	8.1	7.2	9.0	5.7	6.7	4.8
1974	20.7	23.9	17.6	23.2	26.7	19.7	7.9	8.7	7.2	5.5	4.9!	6.0
1975	21.9	25.2	18.7	23.8	27.3	20.2	10.5	11.1	10.0	8.8	10.4	7.3
1976	23.7	27.5	20.1	25.7	29.8	21.6	13.0	12.0	13.9	7.3	10.3	4.7
1977	24.0	27.0	21.1	26.4	29.7	23.1	12.6	12.8	12.5	6.7	7.1	6.3
1978	23.3	26.0	20.6	25.6	28.9	22.3	11.8	10.7	12.6	9.6	9.6	9.7
1979	23.1	25.8	20.5	25.5	28.4	22.6	12.4	13.2	11.8	7.3	7.9	6.8
1980	22.5	24.0	21.0	25.0	26.8	23.2	11.6	10.5	12.4	7.7	8.4	6.9
1981	21.3	23.1	19.6	23.6	25.5	21.7	11.6	12.1	11.1	7.5	8.6	6.5
1982	21.7	23.3	20.2	23.8	25.7	21.9	12.6	11.7	13.4	9.7	10.7	8.7
1983	22.5	23.9	21.1	24.5	26.2	22.7	12.9	13.1	12.7	10.4	9.6	11.1
1984	21.9	23.2	20.7	24.1	25.5	22.7	11.7	12.9	10.6	10.6	9.6	11.6
1985	22.2	23.1	21.3	24.4	25.5	23.3	11.6	10.3	12.6	11.1	10.9	11.2
1986	22.4	22.9	21.9	25.2	25.8	24.5	11.8	10.3	13.1	9.0	8.9	9.1
1987	22.0	22.3	21.7	24.6	24.9	24.4	11.5	11.8	11.2	8.7	9.2	8.2
1988	22.7	23.4	21.9	25.1	25.7	24.5	12.0	12.4	11.7	11.3	11.9	10.6
1989	23.4	23.9	22.9	26.3	26.9	25.8	12.6	12.1	13.1	10.1	9.6	10.6
1990	23.2	23.7	22.8	26.4	26.6	26.2	13.4	15.1	11.9	8.1	7.3	9.1
1991	23.2	23.0	23.4	26.7	26.5	26.9	11.0	11.5	10.5	9.2	8.1	10.4
1992	23.6	23.2	24.0	27.2	26.6	27.7	11.0	11.7	10.5	9.5	8.8	10.3
1993	23.7	23.4	23.9	27.2	27.2	27.1	13.3	12.5	13.9	8.3	7.1	9.8
1994	23.3	22.5	24.0	27.1	26.8	27.4	13.6	11.6	15.2	8.0	6.6	9.8
1995	24.7	24.5	24.9	28.8	28.4	29.2	15.4	17.4	13.7	8.9	7.8	10.1
1996	27.1	26.1	28.2	31.6	30.9	32.3	14.6	12.2	16.6	10.0	10.2	9.8
1997	27.8	26.3	29.3	32.6	31.2	34.1	14.2	11.8	16.3	11.0	9.6	12.7
1998	27.3	25.6	29.0	32.3	30.5	34.2	15.8	14.3	17.0	10.4	9.5	11.3
1999	28.2	26.8	29.5	33.6	32.0	35.1	15.0	13.1	16.5	8.9	7.5	10.4
2000	29.1	27.9	30.1	34.0	32.3	35.8	17.8	18.4	17.4	9.7	8.3	11.0
2001	28.6	26.2	31.1	33.0	29.7	36.3	17.8	17.9	17.8	11.1	9.1	13.3
2002	29.3	26.9	31.8	35.9	32.6	39.2	18.0	17.9	18.1	8.9	8.3	9.7
2003	28.4	26.0	30.9	34.2	31.4	37.1	17.5	17.7	17.4	10.0	8.4	12.0
2004	28.7	26.1	31.4	34.5	31.4	37.5	17.1	13.5	20.0	10.9	9.6	12.4
2005	28.6	25.3	32.0	34.1	30.4	37.8	17.5	14.3	20.3	11.2	10.2	12.4

 $^{! \} Interpret \ data \ with \ caution \ (estimates \ are \ unstable).$

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Included in the totals but not shown separately are those from other racial/ethnic categories.

NOTE: The Current Population Survey (CPS) questions used to obtain educational attainment were changed in 1992. In 1994, the survey instrument for the CPS was changed and weights were adjusted. See *supplemental note* 2 for further discussion of the CPS. Some estimates are revised from previous publications. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin unless specified.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, Current Population Survey (CPS), Annual Social and Economic Study Supplement, 1971—2005, previously unpublished tabulation (November 2005).

Table S31. Standard errors for the percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed high school, who completed at least some college, and who completed a bachelor's degree or higher, by race/ethnicity: March 1971–2005

		High schoo	l complete	rs		Some	college		Bachelor's degree or higher				
Year	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	
1971	0.48	0.49	1.88	4.20	0.55	0.61	1.47	2.98	0.43	0.49	0.96	1.85	
1972	0.45	0.46	1.82	4.25	0.54	0.60	1.56	3.06	0.44	0.50	1.05	1.61	
1973	0.44	0.44	1.76	2.89	0.53	0.59	1.51	2.15	0.43	0.49	1.00	1.34	
1974	0.42	0.42	1.67	2.78	0.53	0.59	1.54	2.28	0.44	0.50	0.97	1.27	
1975	0.40	0.40	1.59	2.77	0.52	0.58	1.57	2.30	0.44	0.50	1.07	1.57	
1976	0.37	0.37	1.51	2.79	0.51	0.57	1.54	2.31	0.44	0.50	1.16	1.47	
1977	0.36	0.36	1.44	2.78	0.51	0.57	1.53	2.40	0.44	0.50	1.10	1.41	
1978	0.36	0.36	1.37	2.59	0.51	0.57	1.56	2.25	0.43	0.50	1.06	1.54	
1979	0.36	0.35	1.41	2.61	0.50	0.56	1.50	2.28	0.43	0.49	1.07	1.37	
1980	0.34	0.34	1.29	2.41	0.49	0.55	1.43	2.06	0.41	0.47	0.98	1.30	
1981	0.33	0.33	1.25	2.31	0.48	0.54	1.41	2.00	0.40	0.46	0.96	1.24	
1982	0.35	0.35	1.22	2.36	0.50	0.56	1.51	2.07	0.42	0.48	1.04	1.43	
1983	0.35	0.35	1.24	2.40	0.49	0.56	1.44	2.11	0.42	0.48	1.03	1.49	
1984	0.34	0.34	1.23	2.33	0.49	0.56	1.41	2.09	0.41	0.48	0.97	1.46	
1985	0.34	0.34	1.18	1.81	0.49	0.56	1.42	1.64	0.41	0.48	0.96	1.16	
1986	0.34	0.34	1.10	1.73	0.48	0.56	1.43	1.53	0.41	0.49	0.96	1.01	
1987	0.34	0.34	1.10	1.70	0.48	0.56	1.42	1.53	0.40	0.48	0.94	0.98	
1988	0.34	0.34	1.16	1.63	0.48	0.56	1.39	1.51	0.41	0.49	0.96	1.07	
1989	0.38	0.38	1.22	1.79	0.53	0.62	1.52	1.63	0.45	0.55	1.07	1.10	
1990	0.36	0.35	1.18	1.67	0.51	0.59	1.46	1.43	0.43	0.52	1.04	0.93	
1991	0.36	0.36	1.17	1.69	0.51	0.60	1.45	1.46	0.43	0.53	0.95	0.99	
1992	0.36	0.36	1.21	1.67	0.52	0.61	1.48	1.54	0.44	0.54	0.97	1.00	
1993	0.36	0.35	1.17	1.64	0.53	0.62	1.52	1.54	0.45	0.56	1.05	0.93	
1994	0.37	0.36	1.13	1.51	0.53	0.63	1.53	1.43	0.45	0.56	1.06	0.84	
1995	0.36	0.34	1.05	1.09	0.53	0.63	1.54	0.99	0.46	0.58	1.11	0.63	
1996	0.37	0.35	1.13	1.56	0.55	0.65	1.62	1.48	0.49	0.62	1.15	0.96	
1997	0.37	0.35	1.10	1.51	0.55	0.65	1.63	1.47	0.50	0.64	1.14	0.97	
1998	0.36	0.34	1.05	1.50	0.55	0.66	1.62	1.45	0.50	0.64	1.18	0.95	
1999	0.37	0.35	1.03	1.53	0.56	0.67	1.63	1.46	0.51	0.66	1.16	0.90	
2000	0.37	0.33	1.13	1.49	0.56	0.68	1.67	1.45	0.52	0.67	1.28	0.91	
2001	0.27	0.26	0.79	1.07	0.41	0.49	1.18	1.04	0.37	0.48	0.91	0.70	
2002	0.28	0.26	0.80	0.95	0.40	0.49	1.21	0.91	0.37	0.50	0.94	0.56	
2003	0.27	0.25	0.78	0.92	0.40	0.49	1.22	0.87	0.36	0.49	0.93	0.57	
2004	0.27	0.26	0.76	0.75	0.39	0.49	1.20	0.73	0.36	0.49	0.90	0.48	
2005	0.27	0.26	0.79	0.74	0.39	0.49	1.17	0.72	0.36	0.48	0.89	0.48	

 ${\tt NOTE:} Some \ standard \ errors \ are \ revised \ from \ previous \ publications.$

Table S31-1. Standard errors for the percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed high school, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2005

		Total			White			Black			Hispanic	
Year	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	0.48	0.67	0.69	0.49	0.67	0.71	1.88	2.78	2.54	4.20	6.21	5.70
1972	0.45	0.64	0.64	0.46	0.64	0.66	1.82	2.76	2.42	4.25	6.22	5.81
1973	0.44	0.62	0.62	0.44	0.62	0.63	1.76	2.63	2.36	2.89	4.24	3.94
1974	0.42	0.58	0.60	0.42	0.59	0.60	1.67	2.43	2.29	2.78	4.03	3.84
1975	0.40	0.55	0.57	0.40	0.54	0.58	1.59	2.35	2.16	2.77	3.99	3.86
1976	0.37	0.51	0.54	0.37	0.50	0.55	1.51	2.31	2.00	2.79	4.07	3.82
1977	0.36	0.50	0.52	0.36	0.50	0.52	1.44	2.06	2.00	2.78	4.00	3.84
1978	0.36	0.50	0.52	0.36	0.51	0.52	1.37	2.02	1.87	2.59	3.72	3.61
1979	0.36	0.50	0.51	0.35	0.48	0.51	1.41	2.13	1.87	2.61	3.81	3.57
1980	0.34	0.49	0.48	0.34	0.48	0.48	1.29	1.97	1.71	2.41	3.45	3.38
1981	0.33	0.47	0.47	0.33	0.47	0.46	1.25	1.82	1.72	2.31	3.36	3.18
1982	0.35	0.49	0.49	0.35	0.50	0.50	1.22	1.83	1.64	2.36	3.43	3.26
1983	0.35	0.49	0.49	0.35	0.49	0.49	1.24	1.84	1.67	2.40	3.44	3.36
1984	0.34	0.49	0.48	0.34	0.48	0.49	1.23	1.90	1.59	2.33	3.36	3.23
1985	0.34	0.49	0.47	0.34	0.49	0.48	1.18	1.75	1.61	1.81	2.62	2.48
1986	0.34	0.48	0.47	0.34	0.50	0.47	1.10	1.49	1.59	1.73	2.44	2.44
1987	0.34	0.49	0.47	0.34	0.50	0.48	1.10	1.59	1.52	1.70	2.39	2.40
1988	0.34	0.50	0.46	0.34	0.51	0.46	1.16	1.72	1.58	1.63	2.29	2.32
1989	0.38	0.55	0.51	0.38	0.57	0.51	1.22	1.87	1.61	1.79	2.47	2.59
1990	0.36	0.52	0.48	0.35	0.53	0.46	1.18	1.75	1.59	1.67	2.32	2.40
1991	0.36	0.52	0.51	0.36	0.53	0.50	1.17	1.65	1.66	1.69	2.34	2.45
1992	0.36	0.51	0.50	0.36	0.51	0.49	1.21	1.71	1.71	1.67	2.27	2.44
1993	0.36	0.52	0.50	0.35	0.52	0.48	1.17	1.64	1.66	1.64	2.25	2.39
1994	0.37	0.54	0.49	0.36	0.54	0.48	1.13	1.75	1.48	1.51	2.05	2.22
1995	0.36	0.52	0.50	0.34	0.49	0.46	1.05	1.46	1.48	1.09	1.51	1.56
1996	0.37	0.53	0.51	0.35	0.51	0.48	1.13	1.58	1.59	1.56	2.10	2.34
1997	0.37	0.55	0.49	0.35	0.53	0.45	1.10	1.69	1.44	1.51	2.08	2.19
1998	0.36	0.54	0.48	0.34	0.51	0.44	1.05	1.54	1.42	1.50	2.07	2.16
1999	0.37	0.56	0.49	0.35	0.54	0.46	1.03	1.58	1.35	1.53	2.18	2.13
2000	0.37	0.55	0.49	0.33	0.51	0.43	1.13	1.67	1.54	1.49	2.14	2.06
2001	0.27	0.40	0.37	0.26	0.37	0.35	0.79	1.17	1.08	1.07	1.52	1.49
2002	0.28	0.41	0.37	0.26	0.40	0.35	0.80	1.27	1.02	0.95	1.30	1.39
2003	0.27	0.41	0.37	0.25	0.38	0.33	0.78	1.21	1.01	0.92	1.25	1.35
2004	0.27	0.40	0.37	0.26	0.39	0.33	0.76	1.01	1.10	0.75	1.03	1.10
2005	0.27	0.40	0.37	0.26	0.40	0.35	0.79	1.18	1.06	0.74	0.99	1.10

NOTE: Some standard errors are revised from previous publications.

Table S31-2. Standard errors for the percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed at least some college, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2005

		Total			White			Black			Hispanic	
Year	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	0.55	0.80	0.74	0.61	0.88	0.83	1.47	2.09	2.06	2.98	4.94	3.51
1972	0.54	0.79	0.73	0.60	0.86	0.82	1.56	2.25	2.15	3.06	4.72	3.97
1973	0.53	0.77	0.71	0.59	0.85	0.81	1.51	2.23	2.04	2.15	3.49	2.60
1974	0.53	0.77	0.72	0.59	0.84	0.82	1.54	2.37	2.02	2.28	3.50	2.97
1975	0.52	0.75	0.71	0.58	0.83	0.80	1.57	2.40	2.06	2.30	3.51	2.95
1976	0.51	0.74	0.70	0.57	0.80	0.79	1.54	2.37	2.02	2.31	3.54	3.00
1977	0.51	0.73	0.71	0.57	0.80	0.79	1.53	2.34	2.01	2.40	3.64	3.17
1978	0.51	0.73	0.71	0.57	0.80	0.80	1.56	2.36	2.08	2.25	3.37	3.00
1979	0.50	0.72	0.70	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.50	2.22	2.02	2.28	3.45	3.02
1980	0.49	0.69	0.68	0.55	0.77	0.77	1.43	2.12	1.94	2.06	3.05	2.77
1981	0.48	0.68	0.67	0.54	0.77	0.76	1.41	2.11	1.90	2.00	2.95	2.73
1982	0.50	0.71	0.70	0.56	0.80	0.80	1.51	2.25	2.03	2.07	3.02	2.84
1983	0.49	0.70	0.69	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.44	2.13	1.96	2.11	2.96	3.01
1984	0.49	0.69	0.69	0.56	0.78	0.79	1.41	2.06	1.94	2.09	3.01	2.91
1985	0.49	0.70	0.69	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.42	2.10	1.93	1.64	2.36	2.28
1986	0.48	0.69	0.68	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.43	2.09	1.95	1.53	2.14	2.18
1987	0.48	0.69	0.68	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.42	2.05	1.95	1.53	2.16	2.17
1988	0.48	0.69	0.68	0.56	0.80	0.79	1.39	2.07	1.87	1.51	2.06	2.22
1989	0.53	0.75	0.74	0.62	0.87	0.87	1.52	2.24	2.08	1.63	2.26	2.35
1990	0.51	0.72	0.71	0.59	0.84	0.84	1.46	2.15	2.00	1.43	1.96	2.09
1991	0.51	0.72	0.72	0.60	0.85	0.85	1.45	2.08	2.02	1.46	1.99	2.14
1992	0.52	0.74	0.74	0.61	0.87	0.86	1.48	2.16	2.04	1.54	2.08	2.30
1993	0.53	0.75	0.75	0.62	0.88	0.87	1.52	2.21	2.09	1.54	2.03	2.34
1994	0.53	0.75	0.74	0.63	0.90	0.88	1.53	2.27	2.07	1.43	1.87	2.19
1995	0.53	0.75	0.75	0.63	0.89	0.88	1.54	2.27	2.08	0.99	1.35	1.47
1996	0.55	0.78	0.77	0.65	0.93	0.91	1.62	2.42	2.19	1.48	1.92	2.31
1997	0.55	0.78	0.77	0.65	0.93	0.91	1.63	2.40	2.20	1.47	1.95	2.20
1998	0.55	0.79	0.77	0.66	0.95	0.91	1.62	2.40	2.20	1.45	1.92	2.20
1999	0.56	0.80	0.77	0.67	0.96	0.92	1.63	2.44	2.16	1.46	1.97	2.15
2000	0.56	0.81	0.78	0.68	0.98	0.93	1.67	2.53	2.22	1.45	1.98	2.10
2001	0.41	0.58	0.56	0.49	0.71	0.67	1.18	1.76	1.59	1.04	1.39	1.53
2002	0.40	0.57	0.56	0.49	0.71	0.67	1.21	1.83	1.62	0.91	1.20	1.38
2003	0.40	0.57	0.55	0.49	0.72	0.68	1.22	1.82	1.64	0.87	1.14	1.34
2004	0.39	0.56	0.55	0.49	0.71	0.68	1.20	1.79	1.61	0.73	0.94	1.12
2005	0.39	0.55	0.54	0.49	0.71	0.67	1.17	1.71	1.59	0.72	0.96	1.08

 ${\tt NOTE:} Some \ standard \ errors \ are \ revised \ from \ previous \ publications.$

Table S31-3. Standard errors for the percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed a bachelor's degree or higher, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971-2005

	Total				White			Black		Hispanic		
Year	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	0.43	0.66	0.56	0.49	0.75	0.64	0.96	1.43	1.29	1.85	3.38	1.81
1972	0.44	0.66	0.58	0.50	0.74	0.66	1.05	1.46	1.49	1.61	2.59	2.01
1973	0.43	0.64	0.57	0.49	0.73	0.65	1.00	1.40	1.41	1.34	2.13	1.69
1974	0.44	0.66	0.58	0.50	0.75	0.67	0.97	1.52	1.25	1.27	1.75	1.83
1975	0.44	0.65	0.58	0.50	0.74	0.66	1.07	1.65	1.41	1.57	2.44	2.01
1976	0.44	0.66	0.58	0.50	0.74	0.66	1.16	1.69	1.59	1.47	2.50	1.65
1977	0.44	0.65	0.59	0.50	0.73	0.68	1.10	1.65	1.47	1.41	2.11	1.88
1978	0.43	0.64	0.58	0.50	0.73	0.67	1.06	1.53	1.46	1.54	2.22	2.15
1979	0.43	0.63	0.57	0.49	0.72	0.66	1.07	1.64	1.40	1.37	2.07	1.82
1980	0.41	0.59	0.56	0.47	0.69	0.65	0.98	1.39	1.36	1.30	1.94	1.74
1981	0.40	0.58	0.54	0.46	0.67	0.63	0.96	1.45	1.28	1.24	1.92	1.61
1982	0.42	0.61	0.57	0.48	0.70	0.66	1.04	1.49	1.44	1.43	2.17	1.89
1983	0.42	0.60	0.57	0.48	0.70	0.67	1.03	1.53	1.39	1.49	2.05	2.14
1984	0.41	0.59	0.56	0.48	0.69	0.66	0.97	1.49	1.26	1.46	2.00	2.11
1985	0.41	0.59	0.57	0.48	0.69	0.67	0.96	1.35	1.35	1.16	1.66	1.62
1986	0.41	0.58	0.57	0.49	0.69	0.68	0.96	1.32	1.37	1.01	1.41	1.43
1987	0.40	0.58	0.56	0.48	0.69	0.68	0.94	1.42	1.27	0.98	1.40	1.35
1988	0.41	0.59	0.57	0.49	0.70	0.69	0.96	1.43	1.29	1.07	1.51	1.50
1989	0.45	0.64	0.63	0.55	0.78	0.77	1.07	1.54	1.47	1.10	1.50	1.63
1990	0.43	0.61	0.60	0.52	0.74	0.74	1.04	1.61	1.34	0.93	1.22	1.41
1991	0.43	0.61	0.61	0.53	0.75	0.75	0.95	1.42	1.27	0.99	1.29	1.51
1992	0.44	0.62	0.63	0.54	0.77	0.77	0.97	1.46	1.29	1.00	1.32	1.52
1993	0.45	0.63	0.64	0.56	0.79	0.78	1.05	1.51	1.46	0.93	1.17	1.48
1994	0.45	0.63	0.64	0.56	0.80	0.80	1.06	1.48	1.50	0.84	1.03	1.37
1995	0.46	0.65	0.65	0.58	0.81	0.82	1.11	1.73	1.44	0.63	0.81	0.96
1996	0.49	0.69	0.70	0.62	0.88	0.88	1.15	1.59	1.63	0.96	1.30	1.44
1997	0.50	0.69	0.71	0.64	0.89	0.91	1.14	1.56	1.63	0.97	1.25	1.53
1998	0.50	0.69	0.72	0.64	0.90	0.92	1.18	1.68	1.65	0.95	1.24	1.45
1999	0.51	0.71	0.72	0.66	0.92	0.94	1.16	1.65	1.62	0.90	1.16	1.37
2000	0.52	0.73	0.73	0.67	0.94	0.96	1.28	1.96	1.69	0.91	1.20	1.37
2001	0.37	0.51	0.54	0.48	0.67	0.70	0.91	1.36	1.22	0.70	0.89	1.08
2002	0.37	0.51	0.53	0.50	0.69	0.71	0.94	1.40	1.26	0.56	0.73	0.86
2003	0.36	0.50	0.53	0.49	0.68	0.71	0.93	1.39	1.25	0.57	0.71	0.91
2004	0.36	0.49	0.52	0.49	0.68	0.70	0.90	1.23	1.29	0.48	0.62	0.76
2005	0.36	0.48	0.52	0.48	0.66	0.70	0.89	1.21	1.28	0.48	0.62	0.75

NOTE: Some standard errors are revised from previous publications.